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Wedding Bells

WEAVER — DEAL

The South Calgary United Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Sunday, December 17th, when Avis Eileen, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Deal of Calgary, became the bride of Pilot Officer Homer Delbert Weaver, D.F.M., R.C.A.F., of Victoria, younger son of Mr. W. W. Weaver of San Angelo, Texas. Rev. Melvin Dobson officated.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father wore an ankle length gown of white sheer with shoulder length veil and carried a bouquet of tea roses.

Mrs. W. C. Salvage of Sundre, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. She wore an ankle length gown of blue sheer and carried a bouquet of roses.

P/O Gordon Walker of Calgary was best man and ushers were Lac Stewart Campbell and Clayton Deal.

Mrs. W. D. Campbell of Calgary played the wedding music. During the signing of the register, Mss Jean Martin of Vulcan sang "Because."

A reception was held at the Empress Grill for forty-five guests. Mr. H. B. Ulrich proposed the toast to the bride.

For travelling the bride wore an aqua green wool suit with grey topcoat and black accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver left for Victoria where they are spending their honeymoon.

WINS DECORATION

THE SEASON'S BEST WISHES TO EVERYONE

Carson McKay

Glen Carson McKay, 24, who recently won the DFC, is the younger son of Mrs. Agnes McKay and the late Gordon McKay. He was born and raised in the district, enlisting in 1942 He trained in Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina, receiving his wings at Dauphin, Man. He went overseas in May, 1943 as a Sgt.-Pilot and received his commission last Christmas. He has completed 40 flights as a pilot of a bomber in the Bluenose Squadron.

THE STRONGER SEX

(Time Magazine)

Man's inability to understand women is largely bioligical. The more scientists study the question, the more fundamental differences they find between men and women.

Girl babies are generally born five to nine days sooner than boys; they teethe and talk earlier; their bones harden sooner; they have fewer red corpuscles and a faster pulse! they are more emotional (more active thyroid glands); they mature more rapidly. A girl sleeps more than a boy, needs less food, has a lower metabolism rate, is warmer, in winter (because of better insulation), and cooler in summer.

Woman is also the stronger sex. Though her muscular strength is only half that a man, she is a much more efficient organism for survival.

Mrs. G. E. Drummond was a Calgary visitor for a couple of days last week.

Sgt. Jack Price is spending several days at his home here prior to reporting to his new station at MacDonald, Man.

OUT OF BLACK-OUT

Following are two letters received by the Vulcan Elks' Lodge:

"Please convey to the members of the lodge my sincere thanks for the 500 cigarettes I received today. They are most welcome, and the fact that they are from the people of Vulcan means a great deal to me, and, I'm sure, to the many other chaps who have received cigarettes through your funds.

"I spent an enjoyable week with my sister in Scotland but now I'm back in hospital due to a little trouble with the shell wound in my arm. Both my leg wounds were of a minor character and are now well healed, although I leave a permanent souvenir in one of them in the shape of a small piece of "Jerry" hand-grenade. If all goes well I expect to be back in action by the end of the year.

"Please accept my best wishes for the continued good work of the lodge. To all members, and particularly my many old friends, I extend the wish for peace, happiness and prosperity in the New Year. Sincerely,

BOB MUNRO."

"Just a line to thank you for the cigarettes I received this week. They are certainly appreciated. I see by the paper that you are having nice weather over there these days. It is different here. We have not had a week's good weather since "D" day. Rain and wind almost every day. We are lucky to be in a good billet, but we almost lost it when a barge loaded with high explosives broke loose from its tow-tug in a storm last week and drifted ashore and blew up. It did a lot of damage in town. We had several windows blown out and some of the ceilings came down but none of the boys were hurt.

"I have not seen many of the Vulcan boys lately. Bob Lundgren was in on a course last month. He had just returned from Italy. Ray Gay was down here before he transferred to the infantry. The reinforcement situation is getting serious here. They are taking officers and good gunners from the artillery giving them three weeks infantry training, and sending them over as infantry reinforcements. The government has certainly fallen down on the job. The boys here have certainly got a poor opinion of Mr. McKenzie King and his Zombies. It does not look as if the war will be over this winter. But if I cannot get to France soon I think I'll be home in the spring.

"Give my best regards to all my friends in the lodge. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and thanking you again for your kindness. Yours sincerely,

—(Name withheld)

Brief Items of Local Interest

Mrs. Magnus Hanson of Turner Valley spent the week-end in Vulcan at the home of her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. J. . Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanson plan to spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Anderson of Bellingham, Washington.

The cake raffled by the Catholic Women's League on Saturday, Dec. 16th was won by Mrs. W. R. Heslip, holder of ticket No. 691. Miss Nora Gerling won a box of chocolates.

Miss Florence Stager of Calgary was a guest for a few days at the home of Miss Betty Lou Turley.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Armey were visitors to Calgary for several days last week.

Sgt. Leslie McMullen has returned to his station in the United States, after having spent a leave at his home here.

Friends of Mr. Phil Lucas will be pleased to learn he is making satisfactory progress following a recent operation.

J. L. Findlay spent the past week in Vulcan prior to reporting to his new station at Saskatoon, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Horne and small son of Bassano spent last week as guests of Mrs. Horne's mother, Mrs. Agnes McKay.

Mrs. W. S. Hill accompanied her daughter, Nursing Sister Eileen Hill, from the coast to Calgary with Miss Hill continuing on to her station at Halifax.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Bowie spent Saturday with friends at High River.

Friends of Pte. Russel Carruthers will be pleased to learn that he was among a number of men returned home from overseas the first of the week. Pte. Carruthers was one of the first Vulcan men to go overseas and has been for over two years in Italy. He is at present visiting with his wife in Calgary. His daughter, Mrs. Ralph Clark of Lethbridge was on hand to greet him too.

Don't forget the New Year's dance in the I.O.O.F. hall in Vulcan on New Year's night, Monday, January 1st. Music supplied by the Merrymakers.

Mrs. Les Marshman and children of Royalties spent the week-end at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bowie. Little Miss Patsy remained with her grandparents to await the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Spanke and son, Lyle were Calgary visitor last week.

Mrs. Tom Shaw and family have joined Mr. Shaw in Calgary, where they will make their home.

Pte. David Brooks took first place in the Christmas shoot in which personnel of The Vulcan, Blackie and Okotoks detachments of the Calgary Highlanders CA (R) competed.

The two Miss Canada girls who volunteered to assist in the sale of War Savings Stamps at Christmas were the Misses Reta Campbell and Dorothy Janzen. In their first day out they sold $108.00 which was a splendid start. We have a supply now of Christmas cards and stamps which you may buy now from the girls, the post office or the banks.

Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion are asked to make a special effort to attend the December meeting on Thursday, 28th, at which time the election of officers for 1945, will take place.

ALEXANDER WHYTE

Alexander Whyte of Vulcan, passed away in the Vulcan hospital at the age of 73 years. His death occurred Dec. 13 following a short illness. Surviving are three sisters and four brothers—Mrs. J. Wells, Mrs. C. Hooke, George and Robert of Douglas, Man.; Mrs. F. W. Doubt of Dishman, Wash.; William of Vancouver and John of Coalhurst.

Mr. Whyte was born in Nova Scotia, coming west to Manitoba in the early days. For a time he resided at Pincher Creek, and in 1916 moved to the Vulcan district.

Services were held in the Legion hall at Vulcan on Monday at 2.30. Rev. J. L. Wright officiated and interment was in the Vulcan cemetery with the Snodgrass Funeral Home in charge.

War May Continue Into Next Summer

Prime Minister Churchill Warns That the War May Last Longer Than Expected. Praises Canadian Part

Prime Minister Churchill has warned that his earlier predictions are revised and that the war may last into next summer. He told the British House:

"We must remember that the enemy whose country is invaded has also the supreme stimuli which we ourselves responded to in the very dark days of 1940 and 1941."

The weather had badly hampered the British and American forces at the northern end of the front, he said, but the battle was continuing with vigor and "immense losses have been inflicted on the enemy."

He gave great praise for the massive achievement of American troops, and for the accomplishment of all the Allied forces on the western front.

Speaking of the difficulties which had faced the troops he said; "It is on the foe that our eyes must be fixed and to break his resistance down demands and will receive the most intense exertions of Great Britain, the United States and all the United Nations and converted satellites—all the forces that can be brought to bear. This is just the moment not to slacken."

He said there had been about 40,000 British and Canadian casualties in the drive into Holland and Germany. The Prime minister announced for the first time that the port of Antwerp has finally been opened up "and is now receiving the large convoys of ocean-going ships, thus making an incomparable sea base available for the nourishment of the northern group of British armies and the various groups of American armies also deployed in these operations."

It was to free this port that the 1st Canadian Army waged the successful month-long battle to clear the Schelde estuary. That campaign in southwestern Holland ended Nov. 9.

It has been widely stated that the present offensive in the west was posible largely because the Canadians succeeded in clearing the coast of France, Belgium and southern Holland, thus opening up vital ports and clearing a way for the use of Antwerp, most valuable of them all.

BERRYWATER NEWS

The Reid Hill met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Drummond, Vulcan, December 14th with 7 members and 7 visitors present. The meeting opened with the Club Woman's Creek and the salute to the flag. Congratulations were extended to Mrs. Agnes McKay on the recent winning of the D.F.C. by her son F/O Carson McKay. A donation of $25 was voted to the Vulcan Rest Room. Arrangements were also made to fill more ditty bags after the New Year. The reading of the W.P.T.B. paper and displaying of a number of posters was followed by round table discussion. Interesting articles were also read from the Federated News. The members heard a paper on the life of Mrs. Thompson, Constituency president. Christmas cards have been sent to all community service men and women in Canada. The meeting adjourned on a motion by Mrs. D. B. Smith. After a social half hour period a delicious lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Bowie and Mrs. Fitzpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Adams were Lethbridge visitors Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. L. Healey and son Bobbie were Calgary visitors on Saturday.

Mr. Dave Simms arrived home Saturad morning from an extended visit with relatives in California and Vancouver and reports a very enjoyable trip.

Christmas services at Berrywater school Dec. 17th were well attended. The service, conducted by Mrs. L. Oldfield, with Mrs. Amey, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Marjorie Love, Miss Mary Douglass and Miss Anne Oldfield contributing musical numbers and Christmas stories were very much enjoyed, amid a setting of evergreens and lighted candles which added a pleasing Christmas spirit to the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Love and daughter Marjorie were Calgary visitors on Tuesday.

Scrooge Returns With A Message

(By "Scrooge")

Christmas! Humbug!

That's what I said as I sat in my cold counting house on Christmas Eve, a hundred years ago.

That's what I said as I climbed the cold dark stairs to my room.

I said it again when the ghost of Jacob Marley visited me there.

But before I woke on Christmas morning I knew better.

No one can ignore Christmas.

It was meant to be a merry celebration.

It's just a hundred years ago this Christmas Eve, that I discovered that fact.

You remember how Charles Dickens told of my discovery. And Tiny Tim said "God Bless Us Every One."

Of course there's no denying that I'm very dead now. That all happened a century ago.

Still I've come back to say that Christmas, 1944 is more important than ever.

Today people have an even greater need of the spirit of Christmas.

In the closing chapters of my life it was said of me "That I knew how to keep Christmas well."

Let me, the ghost of an old man who learned a lesson late in life, tell you what I think are the important things about Christmas.
you.

It's the time when all of us stand together to help one another.

It's a time to view our brighter hopes, and to hold them out to others.

It's a time to open our hearts, our homes and our purses to help make the lives of those who are not so fortunate as we, more cheerful.

Ah, yes! I can see the wretched havoc of war around

I see the empty places, the saddened hearts, and the many who have no homes at all.

I see the grim desperate battle of the armies who fight for freedom.

But I am an old man who has learned that good can master ill.

Christmas! Humbug? Never!

The spirit of Christmas, 1944, is hope. Look ahead to a future bright with the reward of triumph over evil.

Keep that spirit alive in your hearts and help to hasten the day of Victory.

Lend your money to your country for that purpose.

You'll be buying a Christmas present for the whole world.

Then it will be truly said of you that you know how to keep Christmas well.

—With grateful acknowledgement to the shades of Charles Dickens.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY !

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Not in the sense of custom, but with a genuine appreciation of our pleasant association during the past year we extend to you our best wishes for an old fashioned

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

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Irene Fleming
Dale French

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PERTINENT TOPICS

DISCUSSED BY H. C.

It would be interesting to know exactly the inside story of the nasty clash between London and Washington over British action in Greece which prompted Secretary of State, Stettinius to proffer the advice to stop meddling in the domestic concerns of Europe. He is a new man on the job which may account for the brashness of his note, but it is also possible that it was seen by F. D.R. before release. In the end it may have a good effect in neutralizing the effort of Mr. Churchill's chortling over the Roosevelt election. It will show that others besides Republicans can tell John Bull where he gets off at when he takes the side of one political party over another in a country not his own. Roosevelt cannot wish to rush or be pushed into an atmosphere such as that which Wilson had helped to prepare for himself and which clouded his closing years and made his League of Nations a delusion and a snare.

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If anyone thinks it is impossible for Germany to win let him read the history of the Seven Years' War. About this stage of that war, Prussia was down and out and Frederick was seeking death as a way out for himself. Then came a hard winter and Austria retreated into Bohemia and Russia quit cold. Only Britain stood pat. Frederick became der Grosse. What happened once may happen again and only ignorance or indifference can look upon dissensions among the Allies with unconcern.

Is it to be thought that open contention between the governments in London and Washington will not blunt the keen ardor of British and American fighting men? Is it to be thought that the embers of their former fires will break into flame when Canadian fighting men abroad learn that the reinforcements crisis has been removed by an agreement between two leaders who in 1939 could see no reason why they should go abroad at all?

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Troubles in the liberated countries were sure to occur, but if Allies suspect each other of inciting them or taking advantage of them they become really grievous. Three or four years of occupation and subjugation takes away something of a people's moral fibre not returnable immediately upon liberation. Gratitude is not always the liberator's reward. There is something in human nature now that incites the reliefee to sting the hand that feeds him. It is the reaction of having to accept relief.

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Nor should it be forgotten that the peoples of some of the liberated countries had not been particularly friendly to Britain. They had relied on her protection and had taken no precautions of their own and were quite disgusted when she perforce had to adopt a temporary appeasement policy. Most of them wanted Germany to be beaten but were not enthusiastic about the victor being Britain. Stettinius may have had this in mind when he wrote his epistle.

Having won over Churchill to his side and gained reluctant recognition from Roosevelt, General de Gaulle marches on to new objectives from which he hopes to be able to exact indemnities and reparations from Germany. In this way France will get back some of the amounts she agreed to pay under her separate peace treaty with Germany and the Western Allies who at great peril and cost put her in this position will be left holding the bag. Here too one may discern another possible clue to the origin of that epistle.

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This adds to Britain's difficulty in following up military occupation with civil administration, but it is a responsibility she cannot evade. It is particularly trying in Greece, where she sacrificed much in attempting to help a gallant people, to have her efforts misrepresented by persons who did nothing but offer sympathy. Even in Canada we have the C.C.F. and Tim Buck demanding democratic rule there as if it were being denied and as if popular elections were feasible at the moment: All the anti-British prejudice so noisy before the war but stilled for a while after Russia became an ally is becoming vocal again. They who stood aloof when democracy was threatened and prated about it being a capitalistic, imperialistic war are now in full cry against Britain for attempting to deprive liberated countries of their right to self-government although what they demanded was stated by Mr. Churchill to be the British programme.

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In almost every intance, criticism of the government's meddling in Greece and Italy comes from persons and organizations who in pre-war days pilloried the then government for failure to intervene even in a country so far away as Czecho-Slovakia.

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The Minister of Agriculture should be taken to task for spilling beans in war-time. What possessed him to say that the Dieppe venture was a mistake urged upon the authorities by an uninformed public opinion demanding a second front? Did he forget that the Prime Minister and General MacNaughton paraded it as a glorious victory? Did he forget that the second front was demanded by Communists who now under an assumed name are supporting the government?

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There is some question as to whether the C.C.F. will run a candidate against General MacNaughton in North Grey. If the decision is left to its leader a great deal will depend on whether a candidate would help or hurt the General.

Prime Minister Churchill has sided with Russia in the Polish dispute, abandoning the London Polish government as now constituted.

Hon. Solon Low, national leader of the Social Credit national party, has been nominated as federal candidate for Peace River.

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Church Notes

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday, Dec. 21st at 11 a.m. Holy Communion. Rev. Vaughan-Birch of High River will officiate.

The United Church of Canada

Christmas services Dec. 24th at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Special Christmas music. A cordial welcome to everyone including families, visitors, strangers and people in uniform.

Sunday school at 12.15 noon.

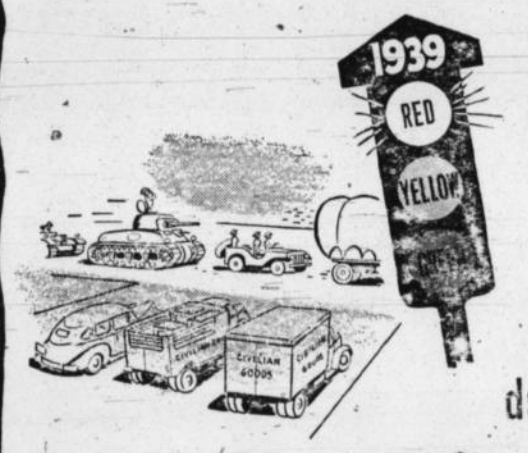
Young People's Union meets on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

THE VULCAN ADVOCATE

We are just as pleased to mention your guests or your visit, as to mention the doings of your neighbors—but maybe your neighbors co-operated with us in getting the facts. Hand in your news items. Our news reporter cannot make a house to house canvass for news but we are always glad to have it handed in. We want all the news!

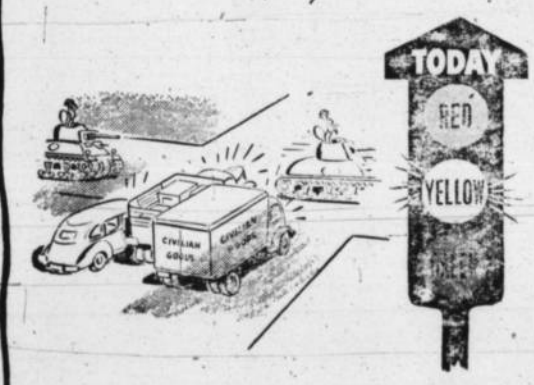
"I must warn the House and Country against any indulgence in the feeling that the war will soon be over"
WINSTON CHURCHILL
in the British House of Commons
November 28th, 1944

DON'T CONFUSE THE SIGNALS



War came. The manufacture of most civilian goods had to be cut down or stopped to make way for war production. That caused shortages of civilian goods—*that was the RED LIGHT*

don't jump the YELLOW light



Some restrictions are now being lifted, but it does not mean lots of goods right away. War's demands are still huge and must come first. We can't neglect them just so that some of us here at home can get a little more.

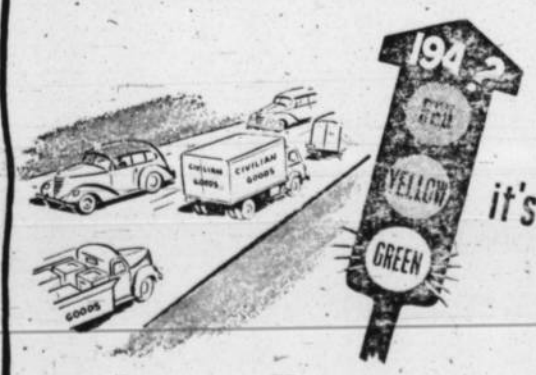
Don't confuse the signals—(*This is the YELLOW LIGHT ONLY*).

It means a little more of some things and it helps business men get ready for the time when there will be more materials and workers available.

It does not mean the end of shortages!

Getting back to peacetime production will necessarily be piecemeal and gradual.

"Patience" is the word.



it's NOT the green light yet

Only after Victory over both enemies can the Green Light be switched on, and the road cleared for enough production to meet all our civilian needs.

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Season's Greetings

Again the Spirit of Christmas brings us the opportunity of expressing our gratitude to the Giver of all Good that our land has been spared the devastation of war suffered by so many countries.

Among the nations we Canadians have much to be thankful for. Remembering those who have been called on for sacrifices in the loss of loved ones, let us go forward in simple trust, determined to complete our full part in bringing back to mankind peace and happiness.

Appreciation of our mutual friendship grows with the passing of each year. May this continue to bring us both many happy reflections.

It is with pleasure that we express our gratitude for your many favors and wish for you and yours that the Star of Hope may shine ever brighter in 1945.

Sincerely yours,

Vulcan Supply Co.

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Buildings For Sale

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until December 31st, 1944, for the following unused buildings, property of the Foothills School Division, No. 38, the highest or any tender not necessarily being accepted:

PLAIN VALLEY SCHOOL BUILDING—Situated on S.E. ¼-25-20-26, approximately 7 miles West of Hamlet of Mossleigh.

OLD MOSSLEIGH SCHOOL BUILDING—Situated on S.E. ¼-27-20-25, approximately 3 miles West of Hamlet of Mossleigh.

ELMDALE SCHOOL BUILDING—Situated on S.E.¼-3-20-25, approximately 3 miles North and 3 miles East of Herronton.

ARROWWOOD SCHOOL BUILDING—Situated on N. E. ¼-15-19-25, approximately ½ mile South and 3 miles East of Herronton.

PLEASANT GROVE SCHOOL BUILDING AND BARN—Situated on N.W.¼-28-18-25, approximately 6 miles East and 2½ miles North of Brant.

RICHMOND HILL SCHOOL BUILDING, BARN AND COALSHED—Situated on S.W.¼-3-17-26, approximately 8 miles South of Brant.

Offers will be received on any one of the above buildings and should be addressed to John W. Donald, Secretary-Treasurer, Foothills School Division, No. 38, High River.

Greetings !

WE desire to join in the festive spirit of the season by wishing our patrons and friends A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

We also take this opportunity of thanking our customers for their patronage and trust that we may be of even greater service in the future.

Vulcan Flour Mill

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In expressing our appreciation of your patronage and friendship may we extend our best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

FLETCHER'S MILK

VULCAN ALBERTA

MILK-COFFEE CREAM-WHIPPING CREAM- *Tell the driver*

Christmas Greetings !

MAY we extend to you the season's greetings—A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We wish to thank you for your patronage in the past and we look forward to the coming year with confidence in your continued goodwill.

Martin's Bakery

Phone 80

Bob Edwards' "Eye Opener"

Convention. The founders of Calgary; its architectural wonders. Choice real estate lots in the cemetery; protection of life and property a constant duty. You should see Banff, where magnitude of livery charges parallels the mountains

In extending to the visiting Manufacturers' deputation a hearty welcome to Calgary, the Eye Opener first offers a few explanatory comments on the charms of the foothill city. Everybody south of Leduc is proud of Calgary; those north being inclined to favor Dunvegan. Picturesquely situated to be in easy reach of the brewery, Calgary extends right and left, north and south, up and down, in and out, expanding as she goes, swelling in her pride, puffing in her might, blowing in her majesty, and revolving in eccentric orbits round a couple of dozen large hotels whose bars close promptly at 11.30 right or wrong.

It is now in order to hand out some guff about the general wave of prosperity which has swept over Sunny Alberta. This wave, as the readers of immigration literature are aware, invariably reaches its grand climacteric period within the limits of township 24, range 1, west of the fifth.

The land in the surrounding country has been found peculiarly adapted to the raising of barley, thus providing raw material for the brewery and occupation for the agriculturist. These thrifty husbandmen sometimes receive as big as 25 cts. a bushel for their product. From this bushel are manufactured 10 gallons of excellent beer. Two small glasses may be obtained by the agriculturist for exactly the same amount he receives for his bushel of barley. The rest of the 10 gallons goes to buy the diamonds so indispensable to the well-dressed hotelkeeper.

Many of the more progressive farmers have adopted the new Collin's binder which cuts the barley straws into handy bundles of a size suitable for immersion in long glasses. The farming element strives to keep pace.

As an illustration of the marvellous resources of Calgary, a recent visitor spent a day amongst our favorite factories and recreation centres. He was more than surprised at what he saw. Although he used glasses of various hues and sizes, he was practically blind by nightfall. Visited next morning by a reporter from the Eye Opener he gave a statement.. Although he had lived for many years in Chicago, he was apalled at the stupendous height of our buildings which he noted were 49 storeys high. He admitted that this country was forging ahead at incredible pace. One thing that baffled him was why there were two moons in Calgary, when one was regarded as sufficient for needs of Chicago. But he put it down to another sign of Western progress and development. The city hall compared unfavorably with something he had dreamed about, and he freely conceded that he had never in his vast range of travel seen anything like it.

The architectural features of the city may best be gathered by studying the beauties of the city hall (Renaissance); the Isolation hospital (Greco-Roman or Catch-as-catch-can); the new Yale Hotel with its Queen Anne front and Mary Ann behind. The leaning kiosk in front of the Catholic church is also worth seeing, and the portable buildings of the earliest settlers may also be found farther to the west. These earliest settlers are most hospitable with visitors bringing suitable recommendations. The Manufacturers should not fail to take them in. They have been taken in so often that once more won't hurt them.

Real Estate — The Cemetery

Manufacturers interested in real estate may find some difficulty in locating any real estate agents as these splendid citizens are practically unknown in Calgary. But some real estate holdings may be obtained out on the Macleod trail a short distance from the city. Many of the best customers of the brewery have made their homes there already, and may be said to be firmly rooted in the soil. There are no complaints from them, and no tenant once taking up his abode there has ever been known to leave.No difficulty will be experienced in locating old friends as the name of the tenant in almost all instances is carried on a neat stone, accompanied by some facts and more fiction when space permits. Our local physicians who have done all in their power to boom this end of town have been most successful and the place is filling rapidly.

Life—And C.P.R. Property

Protection of life and C.P.R. property is one of the strongest features of Calgary civic government. Those in search of adventure can spend a pleasant hour at First St. West where hairbreadth escapes from passing trains are always on tap. It is hoped that full legal influence will prevent any removal of the hazards of First Street West and all those seeking a quick road to the future life may continue to enjoy this privilege at First Street West, under auspices of the C. P.R.

Banff, the Glorious

Nor should our visitors fail to visit Banff. There more than elsewhere, they may form a just estimate of the magnitude of the mountains and other things, including livery men's charges. The millionaires who are included in the party will be justified in driving to the Cave nad Basin, but no farther. Men of moderate means must be content to hoof it, or pay a visit to the park where they may see a collection of wild animals. After this they may have to spend a week at the Sanitarium to get boiled out.

CONTRIBUTION TO AGRICULTURE

Walter P. Davison

Of the approximately 15,000 ships carrying more than 100 million tons of cargo from Canadian ports since was was declared, more than 40 per cent was a direct contribution from the top six inches of Canadian soil. These 41 million tons of "food" in a variety of forms, from wheat and flour to bacon and cheese, from egg powder to fruits and vegetables and the rich harvest from Canadian waters, have spot-lighted the services of our farmers in the nation's war effort. They have given a striking affirmative reply to the question, "Is agriculture a war industry?" They have stood staunchly behind the immortal promise of "blood, sweat, toil and tears," for, denied these nutritional munitions, even the flaming spirit of a Churchill could not have held those battlements of freedom in the North Sea. Moreover, the amazing productivity of urban Canadians in the factories, and other primary workers in the forests and mines, would have withered fast had they not heard the farmer's voice at least three times daily: "Rations up!"—Wheat Pool Budget.

NEWS OF INTEREST

Six million Germans are said to be the Nazi strength facing the Allies. The usual strength is about 17,000 men for a division though some divisions were depleted. There are a total of 300 divisions. There are 70 on the western front, 140 on the eastern front, 30 in Italy, 20 in the Balkans, 20 in Scandinavia and 20 in Germany.

Civil service examinations have been conducted overseas, and as a result a number of appointments to the service have been made from amongst men now in war theatres.

The fellow who boasts he runs things in his house probably means the lawn mower, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, baby carriage and errands.—Blairmore Enterprise.

Regardless of world conditions, one thing remains unchanged, our message of Goodwill and Good Cheer, and so to our friends we send Greetings and Good Wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

H. B. Ulrich

Agent for Maple Leaf Petroleum Products and John Deere Machinery

As we approach the Joyous Christmastide and the end of another year, may we express to all our friends the sincere wish that their Christmas may be marked with Happiness and Good Cheer; and in the coming year 1944 may they be Blessed with Good Health, Progress and Prosperity.

Errett King, Phm. B.

Druggist and Stationer

We offer our best wishes for your complete happiness. We hope that this Christmas season will be your most enjoyable. We hope that the coming year will bring you good health, happiness and prosperity. May this success be associated with the service we can give you. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Central Meat Market

Cold Storage Locker Plant

Con Kettleson and Staff

This season of the year provides a welcome opportunity to send you Hearty Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Central Garage

G. A. Dahl, Prop.

Central Bus and Taxi Service

Greetings !

We wish you and yours a Happy Christmas and that the New Year will bring Peace and Prosperity throughout the World

The Post Office Staff

R. L. Elves, Postmaster Grace Flynn Betty Grant

Kathleen Mathews Jack Price Kenneth Elves

Season's Greetings !

With liquor watered and the price raised, we hope everyone will have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

VULCAN GARAGE and MACHINE SHOP

GIVE War Savings Certificates

for Gifts

Space donated by the BREWING INDUSTRY OF ALBERTA

Canadians Were There in This War

In any numerical comparison with the armies of our allies, with the millions of Russian, American and British troops engaged in this historic struggle to the death, Canada's almost insignificant army of less than half a million does not amount to much. The Russians have lost in single battles more soldiers than the whole Canadian nation could muster. Yet though it has been dwarfed numerically by its allies, this Canadian army of ours will long be remembered for its conspicuous gallantry and superb fighting qualities when future generations pore over the histories of this war.

Yes, the Canadians have been there—in Hong Kong and Dieppe, in Sicily, Italy and France, in Belgium and Holland. This is something which will live long after the controversy that now divides us is dust-covered and forgotten.

As month passed into year, and while the Canadian Air Force and Canadian Navy wrote their own great chapters in the annals of the time, our army waited impatiently in the wings. It trained and trained and trained—through 1940, 1941, 1942 and into 1943.

Then in the hot July of 1943 it went into action on the south-eastern shore of Sicily. Sicily seems so long ago and far away now. Most of us have almost forgotten the Sicilian campaign. We have almost forgotten the Pachino air field. The Canadian first division was there. It took Pachino and by doing so made it possible for our allies and ourselves to get off the beaches and into the interior.

There was Vizzini, which changed hands five times before the Canadians threw the Germans back for good. There was Caltagirone a city as large as Brandon, Man., which the Canadians captured after bitter fighting. We fought first with the British Eighth Army, then we swung over to fight with the Americans, then back to the British. In late July, Agira fell to the Canadians and opened the way to pincer drives which eventually forced the Germans out of Sicily.

The Canadians were there!

When the invasion of Italy got underway, the Canadians fought with Montgomery up the Adriatic coast. They fought the enemy in a country in which defence had every advantage The rains came and we fought through the rains.

Pachino, Vizzini, Caltagirone, Agira Etna, Sangro, Moro and Ortona—the Canadians were there.

The greatest invasion armada in history pushed out from England to launch the invasion of France, and the Canadians were there. They were at Caen, Caen which became the lever which eventually forced the Germans to flee in disorder from France. They were at Falaise where the death blow was struck against the German occupation army, where Marshal Rommel's reputation was blasted forever.

As the British and Americans rolled across mile after mile of French landscape in their efforts to trap the Germans the Canadians inched their way toward Calais. To them was given the slow and deadly chore of reducing the German garrison there to surrender.

With their British, Polish and Czech comrades the Canadians stormed through to Brussels and on to take the great port of Antwerp intact. They fought their way across the Schelde, were thrown back, fought across again and spearheaded the attack which drove the Germans clear of the Schelde estuary and freed Antwerp for use by the Allies.

The Canadians were there!

And when the final assault on Germany takes place the Canadians will be there too. Wherever the fighting is the toughest, whether it be in the Ruhr in the moors of the north or in the forests of the south, there we may expect to find the Canadians.

Do we over-emphasize the importance of the role the Canadian army has played in this war? No. We Canadians know that without the Russians and the Americans, the British Commonwealth could not have done it alone. Gladly will we sing the praise of our allies whenever the opportunity arises, or whenever we can make an occasion for doing so.

But quietly and in our own modest way, we Canadians pay our tribute as will make it possible for our children and our children's children to say with eyes moistened with honest pride:

The Canadians were there!—Winnipeg Free Press.

Annual Meeting Dist. Scout Ass'n

Good Representation From Outside Groups Gathered at Scout Hall High River

The annual meeting of the Foothill District Scout Association was held in the Scout-Guide hall, which is fast becoming the home of the Scout Council of the district. There was an excellent turnout of over thirty delegates and Scouters who really value the work of Scouting for the youth of this district.

Reports were read by all group committees and the standing of the active groups is excellent. The president stated that he had never heard better reports. Many important business items were discussed, one being the desire to insure against accident, every Cub and Scout in the district when they are on Cub and Scout activities such as meetings, camp and hikes. This has been done by the Girl Guide Association for a number of years.

Officers for the coming year are President, Mr. W. W. Lowery, Turner Valley; Vice-President, Mr. H. Nixon Nanton; secretary-treasurer, Mr. R.C. McMechan, Turner Valley. Members of the executive include Mr. Floyd, Nanton; Mr. Sanderson, Mercury; Mr. Peacock, Turner Valley, and Mr. Frank, Black Diamond. High River will soon re-organize their group committee at which time we hope to have a vice-president for High River and a member on the District Executive.

Mr. T. Betton was again appointed District Commissioner and Mrs. Betton, Assistant District Commissioner for Wolf Cubs.

At present there are four very active Scout troops and four Wolf Cub packs. Plans are made to organize two new towns in the district, and reorganize at least three of the towns who were active before war. We are also going all out to have the Lone Scout program made possible for all the boys of Scout age who find it impossible to come into towns for meetings.

Much valuable work could be done for our youth if we had more Scouters. Men and women who would take training and become Cubmasters or Scoutmasters. The boys are calling out for Scouting and no one to lead them. What about it parents and young men of the district? Could you find time to make Scouting or Cubbing possible for not only one but for many of Canada's finest youth? If you feel you have just a little time to give to Scouting please get in touch with the Scout group of your own town or the district president or Commissioners, we will certainly welcome you in Scouting.

Hold Farewell For Queenstown Couple

Seldom has this district witnessed a finer farewell party than that given to Mr. and Mrs. George James who are leaving for Victoria after eight years of residence in the Queenstown district. Over a hundred people attended. The farewell took the form of a chicken supper in the Queenstown Legion hall and a programme was supplied by the students of the Queenstown school. Mrs. James was presented with a bouquet of flowers and Mr. and Mrs. James were mutually presented with a well-filled purse. The presentation was made by Mr. M. T. Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. James both spoke well and feelingly of the pleasant associations formed in Queenstown and their regret in leaving the district. The balance of the evening was spent in games and this farewell will be long remembered. Mr. James has been given a leave of absence from the C.P.R. and it is hoped that the change in climate may soon restore his health and that he may soon be able to resume duties.

Christmas Greetings !

As another Christmas day rolls 'round and the year draws to a close, we think back on our many years of pleasant business associations with you and send you our friendliest Seasonal Greetings. May your happiness be as certain as our wishes are sincere.

GILBERT KOHLER, Jeweller

May Christmas Bring You Joy and Happiness and the New Year a Larger Measure of Prosperity.

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BON'S BILLIARD PARLOUR
and Confectionery

Yuletide Greetings

In the gay laughter of twinkling lights are our bright hopes for the years of peace to come. In this Christmas spirit, we wish all Yuletide happiness.

JACK SCOBBIE
Shoe, Harness, Canvas Repairs

GREETINGS

Christmas is a time for pleasant recollections and happy memories of business associations. May the Season be a Merry one for you, and the Coming Year Happy and Prosperous

W. H. TURLEY
M. H. High Grade Farm Implements
Tractor Service — All Kinds
Phone 66 Vulcan, Alberta

Best Wishes . . .

No other occasion gives us greater satisfaction than the privilege, at the approach of Christmas, to extend to our many friends our sincere good wishes for a very merry Christmas and a prosperously happy New Year.

John T. Willard
McCormick-Deering Service, Vulcan

Just Opened

Barber Shop

in the

CLUB BILLIARD HALL

E. B. WEIMER, Barber

Drop in and get acquainted

Rejoicing with you in the hope of an early ending of the war, we extend our sincere good wishes for Christmas and the New Year. Let us all do our part to insure that a lasting peace shall be made

Pete McAskile, Clifford McAskile and Staff

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Vulcan Advocate

Greetings !

I have recently purchased the business from Mr. Bill Brown, and I solicit your freindship and patronage in my attempt to give you the same fine service to which yon have become accustomed during the past nineteen years.

In anticipation of many years of cordial relationships to come, I wish you a **MERRY CHRISTMAS**, and a very **HAPPY NEW YEAR**!

Brown's Garage

Keith Elder, owner

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

In a world of change there are still some things that stand firm, such as Friendship and our Hearty Good Wishes.

Loxton's Shoe Hospital

Mr.Mrs. U. Gingrich Badly Injured

Car Crash on Fish Creek Bridge Near Midnapore Brings Disaster To Family Party Returning From Calgary

Mr. and Mrs. Urias Gingrich of Mazeppa, were seriously injured when their car collided with a north-bound car on Saturday evening about 6.30, the collision occurring on the Fish Creek bridge near Midnapore. Miss Thom, a teacher of the Mazeppa district and passenger in the Gingrich car was also injured and taken to a Calgary hospital. Five children of Mr. and Mrs. Gingrich who made up the homeward bound family party escaped with minor injuries limited mainly to bruises and cuts. They were able to return to the farm home. Mr. and Mrs. Gingrich were brought to High River hospitll. Dr. Blayney who is attending them, says that both parents are suffering from fractured pelvis. Although there appears to be no complications, they are likely to be laid up for a long time. The children are being cared for by Mr. Gingrich's mother who came from Calgary. The eldest son Edgar, who has been trucking round Three Hills came home at once to care for the farm in his parents' illness.

Driving on Saturday night was very difficult and slippery owing to the snowstorm. The accident at the Fish Creek bridge brought into collision the Gingrich car and a car in which were a party of hunters bound for their Calgary homes. The hunters were George Harper, E. D. Quinn and George Enarp. All three were taken to Calgary hospitals, the most seriously injured suffering from lacerations of legs and face. The cars involved are said to have been very badly smashed and the crash blocked traffic for a long period. Scores of cars from both directions were held up for nearly a mile. At last a detour was managed some distance to the west across the dry bed of the creek.

Another blockade of skidding trucks held up traffic near Carson's kennels on the highway, where another detour was made by anxious travellers. Anyone on the road Saturday night felt thankful when he arrived home in safety.

Great sympathy is felt for the Gingrich family in this unhappy conclusion to the pre-Christmas visit to the city.

Foothills School Division

The board of trustees of the Foothills School Division, meeting on Dec. 9 authorized the length of Christmas holiday term, the dates for Christmas concerts, and approved the new opening hour of 10.30 a.m. which started December 1. Other matters of business dealt with are as follows:

The Board expressed sincere regret at the recent passing away of the Divisional Superintendent, the late Mr. L. Good, and decision was made to forward a letter of condolence to Mrs. Good, signed by all members of the Board, expressing deepest sympathy.

The Board was advised that the Department of Education had appointed Mr. C. M. Lavarty, B.A., to succeed Mr. Good as Divisional Superintendent of the Vermilion School Division and it was expected that he would report for duty about December 15th.

The Board was advised that a good supply of water had been secured in the new well drilled at the Reid Hill School.

The following unused buildings were sold: Reid Hill school and furnace, U. B. Gingrich; Sunny Glen barn, Fred Rebalkin; Cottage coal shed, Rose Lightle.

It was decided not to dispose of the Thigh Hill school building, barn and toilets as tenders received, in the opinion of the Board, not high enough.

By-law No. 4 authorizing investment of $5,000 in Victory bonds received three readings and was finally passed, such investment being funds of the Building and Transportation Reserve Trust Account.

Resignations were accepted from Mrs. A. Peterson, teacher Big Rock school and Miss A. McNeil, teacher Highwood school.

It was decided to include Blackie School District No. 2823 in Sub-Division IV.

The Board ordered that the schools of the Division close for the Christmas vacation on the afternoon of Friday, Dec. 22 and reopen following the holiday on the morning of Wednesday, January 3rd, 1945. It was also decided that Christmas concerts in Divisional schools were to be limited to the evening of December 21st or the afternoon of Dec. 22nd.

It was reported to the Board that the school opening hour, commencing Dec. 1st had been changed to 10.30 a.m. and the Board approved same.

ADVOCATE CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED to buy from owner, (By Private Party) one-half to one section of good land for cash. Reply Box 100, c/o The Vulcan Advocate.

FOR SALE—8 ft. Grand Detour Wheatland Plow. Phone R307.

FOR SALE—1930 Buick Master at Scales Motors. 1-p

FOR SALE—Connor Gas Washer. Apply Lacey Hollister, Vulcan.

FOR SALE—30 Weaner Pigs, well started. Apply D. A. McNiven, R. R. 2, Vulcan. 3-p

FARM FOR SALE—Quarter Section, Vulcan district, $5,000.00, 40% cash. For particulars apply Messrs. Farthing & Tavender, 62 Canada Life Building, Calgary, Alberta. 20-2-c

WILL TRADE—Model A Carbuerator for 1929 Chevrolet Carbuerator. Must be in good shape. Ask for Frank at Scales Motors. 1-p

FOR SALE—New Large Suitcase $4.00. Phone 94 on Saturday morning. 1-c

WANTED TO RENT—Small Unfurnished House in Vulcan by garage worker. Apply Norman Bishop at Scales Motors, Vulcan.

LOST—Gold heart-shaped Locket, some time ago, valued as a keepsake. Finder please leave at the Advocate office. 20-1-p

APPLICATION FOR BEER LICENSE

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply to The Alberta Liquor Control Board for a License to sell Beer by the glass or open bottle, for consumption on the licensed portion of the premises, in conformity with the provisions of The Government Liquor Control Act of Alberta and the Regulations made thereunder, with respect to the following described premises:

Beer Salesroom on the west side of the ground floor of the Commercial Hotel, situated on Lots 11 and 12, in Block 2, Plan No. 918 A.Y., Lomond, Alberta.

Dated at Lomond, Alberta, this 25th day of November, 1944.

ENRICO BERTEOTTI,
Applicant.

DAILY TRUCK SERVICE

Vulcan-Blackie-Calgary
Vulcan Air Port

SPEEDY, RELIABLE SERVICE

Leave Calgary	6:00 a.m.
Arrive Vulcan	9:30 a.m.
Leave Vulcan	12:00 noon
Arrive Calgary	3:00 p.m.

Speedway Cartage

Phone E5511, Calgary

Vulcan depot: Central Garage

SEASON'S GREETINGS AND ALL GOOD WISHES

Jones' Funeral Home

Thank You and Farewell

Having sold my business to Mr. Keith Elder, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking my many friends and customers for the very pleasant relationships I have enjoyed during my nineteen years of business in Vulcan.

Wishing you 'Merry Christmas' and may Peace, Happiness. and Prosperity be yours in the NEW YEAR

BILL BROWN

Season's Greetings

THE festive season gives us an opportunity, not only to extend to you a warm and timely greeting, but also to express our appreciation of your favors of the past twelve months.

THAT Christmas may be a Merry and Bountiful one and that the coming year may bring an abundance of all that makes life worth living for you and yours is our sincere, friendly wish.

RED and WHITE STORE

FULTON and WEATHERLY

Mrs. McIvor Mr. McIvor

We Wish All Our Friends
Happiness . .
Health . . . . .
Prosperity . .

May the Season Overflow with Real Christmas Joy for You . . . and May the New Year Bring You Increase of Prosperity!

Scales Motors

and Staff

To All Our Members

THIS season of the year provides an opportunity to send you the heartiest of Good Wishes for Christmas and a Very Prosperous Nineteen

The President, Executive, and Staff

Vulcan Branch, Canadion Legion

B. E. S. L.

With sincere appreciation of our pleasant business relations we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

THE LADIES' SHOP

Miss M. E. Marshall

Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

And in sending you this honored Greeting may we express our sincere thanks for your friendship through the years and our wish that your Christmas may be marked with Happiness and Good Cheer - - - and may the coming year of 1945 bring you Good Health, Progress and Prosperity.

Beaver (Alberta) Lumber

Dave McAfee, Local Manager

Season's Greetings !

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There is hope in all our hearts as the Yuletide of 1944 draws near . . . a hope that before 1945 is ended, peace and goodwill can return to the world. Let us not forget that the great fog of battle which today enshrouds the world with its horror of combat and sorrow of death will lift and be dispelled by a bright and shining peace. Be of stout heart and have faith in the coming year.

Meanwhile, we have a job to do . . . to make sure that the safety of mankind can never again be threatened. Let us all carry on so that victory will give all people the right to live in harmony and at the festive season clasp hands in the spirit of goodwill to joyous shouts in all languages of the time-honoured words

Mitchell's Drug Store

John Mitchell Phm B Prop.

"Prescriptions A Specialty"

Vulcan, Alberta

Christmas Greetings !

The holiday season affords a most pleasant opportunity to express our appreciation of your friendship and goodwill towards us.

May our service continue to be a factor in the prosperity we wish for you during the coming year.

Vulcan Co-Operative

Company Limited

Phone 37 L. F. DAWSON, Manager

Milo Co-Op In Better Set-up

Members Decide Unanimously on Change. Christmas Message to District from Correspondent Industry at MacGregor

(Evan Beechman, Correspondent)

About one hundred members of the Milo Consumers' Co-operative attended a meeting held in the Oddfellows' hall to consider a proposal that the assets of the organization should be sold to the Central U.F.A. Co-operative in Calgary and that the local store should be operated as a branch of the Calgary Unit. The advantages of this would be that the purchasing for the store would be on a greater co-operative basis and savings would be affected and passed on to the consumer. The meeting was addressed by Mr. McCool, head of the Co-operative stores of Alberta and Mr. Shore who is in charge of the Calgary store. The meeting voted unanimously for the change and the local organization is to raise sufficient monies to purchase the local building and add a greater stock. This money is to be returnable over a ten year period and is to bear interest at the rate of three per cent. At the close of the meeting a picture show was given under the direction of Mr. Hemple of the United Grain Growers.

A Merry Christmas to All

Well it's Christmas time again. Again the messages of goodwill are broadcast over a tired world, weary with the fruits of hate. Above the noise of guns, the angels still sing for those who will listen. Those who believe in the finer things of life know that Christmas is not all pageantry and legend, not all custom and commercialism. The majority of people are really sincere in their age-old greeting of "A Merry Christmas" to bring about that wish. They forget for a little while their grievances and their hates, their goodness and their generosity come a little to the fore. There are those to whom we especially extend our greetings and our goodwill, those who read our column, week by week, like it and say so, those who read our column, do not like it but refrain from saying so, those who have had kindly thoughts toward us and have expressed them, those who have had unkind thoughts and have repressed them, those in far places who have thanked us for bringing their home districts a little closer to them and those at home who have co-operated by giving us something to write about.

Our greeetings go to those peacemakers who love peace enough to even fight for it and to those who view no birth as commonplace but see in every child another gift of God. We greet those wondrous souls who carry the spirit of Christmas throughout all the year, those who have lightened a burden here and there, those who have dried someone's tears, have caused a little child to laugh, have been patient with the aged.

We particularly greet those whom bereavement has not embittered and those whom failure has not dismayed.

When all is said and done, there is still no improvement on the wish of Tiny Tim. So here it is my friends "God bless us every one."

Fish 'N Ice

The season for commercial fishing of whitefish opened at Lake McGregor on the 16th. The limit for the time being has been placed at 75,000 lbs. and this sideline proves quite lucrative to the farmers of that area.

Another harvest of equal or greater benefit to the farmers is the harvest of ice. This year the cutting and hauling is all done by power. The boys have an elevator that will load blocks faster than four men can place them on the truck. Despite the mild weather the ice is over a foot thick.

Lest We Forget

By the way, before we forget, we wish to extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Evan Beechman on the birth at the Vulcan hospital of a little telephone operator. The name? Well, the better half has not yet fully decided so in the meantime it is Kathleen, pro tem.

Milo-Queenstown U.F.W.A.

The Milo-Queenstown U.F.W.A. had their December meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Burk with Mrs. Umscheid and Mrs. L. Monner as assistant hostesses. New officers elected for 1945 were as follows: President, Mrs. A. Alston; vice-president, Mrs. V. J. Bertrand; sec.-treas., Mrs. A. Osler. Two delegates, Mrs. V. Bertrand and Mrs. W. Tester, were chosen to attend the U.F.W.A. convention at Edmonton in January. The committee on overseas boxes reported a gift of cigarettes to Lloyd Peterson who has been a prisoner of war in Germany since 1941 and two more were sent to local boys, overseas. A presentation was made to Corp. Lawrence Smith who is home on sick leave from the Italian front and a letter of appreciation was read from Ernest Heather. After the meeting the members gathered around the long dining room table for refreshment and conversation. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. V. J. Bertrand.

Personal Items

Mr. Harold (Mickey) Shore is a visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. L. Beckner. Mickey has been stationed at the west coast and is at present on temporary deferment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Laughren have moved to Calgary for the winter.

Harold Thomander has gone to Creston B.C. where he plans to go into a butcher and freezing locker business.

Bruce Crabb was also a visitor to Kelowna, B.C., where he visited the Edward Synges who were early settlers of the Lake McGregor district.

Visitors at E. Vanatta's include his brother from North Dakota whom he has not seen for the past seventeen years and also his brother Harry. Elmer Vanatta accompanied them upon their return to Magrath.

The old time dance under the auspices of the Oddfellows lodge was voted a great success. One thing to be said in favour of the old time dances, they are at least more restful to old bones than these modern quivers and quavers, staggers and swaggers, wiggles and waggles.

Did you hear about the precocious boy who started to kindergarten. The teacher drew a cat on the board and then asked "Can anyone spell cat." Johnny waved his hand vigorously C A T. "Good," commended the teacher, "very good." "Good hell," replied Johnny "It's perfect."

Miss Mary Woodhouse of Calgary has now been added to the staff of Milo teachers making a full complement for the current term. A home and school association meeting was held this week and it's aims and purposes outlined by the school secretary Evan Beechman.

According to report Carson McKay of the Reid Hill district has been mentioned in honour and is to receive the DFC. Friends of that district are proud of his success.

Turkey picking is the order of the day. Top prices bring about 32c per pound and local poultrymen are delighted.

MAYVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stein and Melba were Calgary visitors several days last week.

Miss Norma Richardson was a week end visitors at her home recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith were Calgary visitors last Tuesday, when they attended the wedding of Miss Mary Dixon of Dalemead.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Richardson attended the Poultry Show in Calgary and won the following prizes, for their entries of dressed turkeys and Leghorn eggs. Dressed turkey hens, young birds, 1st and 2nd; dressed turkey gobbler, young bird, 1st and 2nd; 6 grade A young turkeys, dressed, 1st 2nd, 3rd and 4th. In addition to the above the first prize young turkey won the championship for the best dressed bird at the show and brought $20.00 at the sale. One of the young gobblers in the group of 6 grade A, won the reserve championship. These were all broad-breasted bronze turkeys.

One doz. eggs, white, grade A medium, 1st prize; 1 doz. eggs, white Grade A, large, 3rd; 1 doz. eggs, white, grade A, pullet, 1st prize; 6 doz. eggs, white, grade A, large, 1st; 6 doz. eggs, white, grade A, medium, 3rd; 6 doz. eggs, grade A, white, pullets, 1st.

Reg. Stein was a Calgary visitor this week.

Four tables of "500" were played at the card party held at the home of Lee Richardson on Dec. 13th. First prizes were awarded to Mrs. Alva Love and Norman Love.

NEW YEAR'S NIGHT

DANCE

I.O.O.F. Hall, Vulcan

Music by The Merrymakers

Sponsored by the Vulcan Elks Lodge

6 Christmasses 1944

1939 - What is this War ?
1940 - What if we Lose ?
1941 - Can we win !
1942 - We can win !
1943 - We are winning !
1944 - No Slackening till Victory !

Let us hope it will be one of Victory and Peace !

To our many customers and friends
We wish a Very Merry Christmas

This Store will be closed Mon. Tues. Wed. 25, 26, 27

F. M. Anderson and Staff

VULCAN THEATRE

AIR CONDITIONED

Fri. and Sat. Dec. 22 & 23

Showing at 7:30, 9:30 Matinee Saturday at 2:30.

"Janie"

Joyce Reynolds - Robert Hutton - Alan Hale
Robert Benchley - Ann Harding

Mon. Tues, Dec. 25 & 26

Two shows Christmas night
7:30 & 9:30
One show Tuesday at 8:15

"Rationing"

Wallace Beery

Wed, Thurs. Dec. 27 & 28

One Show Nightly at 8:15

"Swing Shift Maisie"

Ann Southern

Walt Disney's **"Old Army Game"**

Merry Christmas To All

May Your Christmas Be Happy
and Your New Year Prosperous

The Economy Store

Laura McIntyre - Betty Lou Miller
Marie [Pat] Smith - Chas. Northcott